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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1588

Introduced by Assembly Member Atkins
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An act to add Section 114.3 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1588, as amended, Atkins. Professions and vocations: reservist licensees: fees and continuing education.

Existing law provides for the regulation of various professions and vocations by boards, *commissions*, or *bureaus* within the Department of Consumer Affairs and for the licensure or *registration* of individuals in that regard. Existing law authorizes any licensee whose license expired while he or she was on active duty as a member of the California National Guard or the United States Armed Forces to reinstate his or her license without examination or penalty if certain requirements are met.

This bill would require the boards, *commissions*, or *bureaus* described above to waive the renewal fees and continuing education requirements, if either is applicable, of any licensee or *registrant* who is a reservist called to active duty as a member of the United States Military Reserve or the California National Guard if certain requirements are met.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 114.3 is added to the Business and
2 Professions Code, to read:

3 114.3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every board,
4 *commission, or bureau within the department* shall waive the
5 renewal fees and continuing education requirements, if either is
6 applicable, for any licensee *or registrant* who is a reservist called
7 to active duty as a member of the United States Military Reserve
8 or the California National Guard if all of the following
9 requirements are met:

10 (a) The licensee *or registrant* was in good standing with the
11 board, *commission, or bureau* at the time the reservist was called
12 to active duty.

13 (b) The renewal fees or continuing education requirements are
14 waived only for the period during which the reservist is on active
15 duty service.

16 (c) The active duty reservist, or the active duty reservist's spouse
17 or registered domestic partner, provides written notice satisfactory
18 to the board, *commission, or bureau* that substantiates the
19 reservist's active duty service.